

reserved by that standard for future use. Other methods of communication could be used by the shared spectrum access database and shared spectrum controller when communicating with each other including, for example, Wi-Fi (e.g., via data transmissions conforming to a variant of IEEE 802.11) and LTE communications (e.g., via data transmissions conforming to LTE developed by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Partnership Project (3GPP)).

**[0070]** FIG. 7 illustrates an example process flow diagram for radar systems coexisting with a communication system. The example process flow illustrates an example of a radar system coexisting with a communications system that provides a wireless service (e.g., Wi-Fi, LTE) on the S Band. The example process flow further provides an example where the radar system interface 705 reports a change in the radar system's usage, which causes the access node 720 to deny usage to secondary device 725 for a period of time. The shared spectrum access database 710 depicted in FIG. 7 may execute a method similar to the example of FIG. 2 and the shared access controller 715 depicted in FIG. 7 may execute a method similar to the example of FIG. 3.

**[0071]** The example process flow of FIG. 7 may begin after the shared access controller 715 and the shared access database 710 have established communication with each other and after the shared access controller 715 has been authenticated with the shared spectrum access database 710. The example process flow may further begin after the access node 720 has initiated communication with the secondary device 725 on a channel of the S Band (e.g., as represented by communications at 745-1 through 745-4).

**[0072]** As depicted in FIG. 7, the radar system interface 705 may, from time to time, transmit radar usage information to the shared spectrum access database and such transmissions are represented at 730-1 through 730-3. Radar usage information may or may not include a change from a previous transmission of usage information from the radar system interface 705. Indeed, in the depicted example, radar usage does not change until some point after the acknowledgement is transmitted from the shared spectrum access database 710 at 735-2.

**[0073]** Shared access controller 715 may transmit a channel usage request to the shared spectrum access database 710 at 735-1. Upon receiving the channel usage request, the shared spectrum access database 710 may determine if there has been a change in usage based on the channel usage request and the radar usage information at 733-1. If a change has not occurred, the shared spectrum access database 710 may transmit an acknowledgement with a bit indicator set to 0 at 735-2. The acknowledgement also may indicate that channel usage requests should be transmitted every 100 milliseconds.

**[0074]** At 730-M, shared spectrum access database 710 may receive radar usage information from the radar system interface 705. This radar usage information may include a change to the radar's usage of the S Band (e.g., a change in the operating channel or frequency). In particular, the radar system may now be operating on a channel at which the base station 720 is communicating with secondary device 725.

**[0075]** At 735-3, shared spectrum access database 710 receives another channel usage request from the shared access controller 715. This channel usage request may have been transmitted 100 milliseconds after the transmission at 735-1. The shared spectrum access database 710 may proceed to determine whether there has been a change in usage. In this instance, the shared spectrum access database 710 may deter-

mine that there has been a change based on the channel usage request received at 735-3 and the radar usage information received at 730-M. Accordingly, the shared spectrum access database 710 may transmit an acknowledgement with a bit indicator set to 1 at 735-4.

**[0076]** Upon receiving the acknowledgement with a bit indicator set to 1, the shared access controller 715 may transmit data to cause the access node 720 to cease operation on at least the channel in the S Band at 740-1. In some embodiments, the access node 720 may be controlled to cease operation on the channel that it is using to communicate with secondary device 725 (e.g., the channel used for the communications at 745-1 through 745-4). Accordingly, access node 720 stops communicating on the at least one channel and denies usage of the at least one channel in the S Band to secondary device 725.

**[0077]** At 735-5, the shared spectrum access database 710 may transmit channel usage information to the shared access controller 715, which may include an updated listing of channels or frequencies being used by the radar system. At 740-2, the shared access controller may transmit data to control the access node 720 to resume operation in accordance with the channel usage information. In some embodiments, controlling to resume operation may include transmitting a new preferred channel list that lists channels within the S Band that the access node is to use when communicating with the secondary device 725. Accordingly, communication on the S Band between the access node 720 and the secondary device 725 resumes at 745-5 and continues at 745-6. The channel on which the communications at 745-5 and 745-6 occur may be different than the channel used during the communications at 745-1 through 745-4.

**[0078]** When it is time for the shared access controller 715 to transmit another request (e.g., per the time indicated in the acknowledgement at 735-4), the shared access controller makes another request at 735-6. Accordingly, the shared spectrum access database 710 may determine whether there is a change in usage at 733-3 and, because no change has occurred, the shared spectrum access database 710 may transmit an acknowledgement with a bit indicator set to 0 at 735-7.

**[0079]** Various types of computers and apparatuses can be used to implement computing devices (such as devices 115A-115B, 130, 135A-135C, 120A-120H and 125A-125D) according to various embodiments or to implement the methods and processes described herein (such as those described with respect to FIGS. 2, 3 and 7). FIG. 8 shows an illustrative computing device 800 in accordance with example embodiments. Various devices described herein may include some or all of the illustrated components of device 800. Device 800 includes a system bus 801 which may operatively connect various combinations of one or more processors 802, one or more memories 803 (e.g., random access memory, read-only memory, etc.), mass storage device(s) 804, input-output (I/O) interfaces 805 and 806, display interface 807, and global positioning system (GPS) chip 813, power interface 814, and battery 815.

**[0080]** I/O interfaces 805 may include one or more transceivers 808, antennas 809 and 810, and other components for communication in the radio spectrum. Interface 806 and/or other interfaces (not shown) may similarly include a transceiver, one or more antennas, and other components for communication in the radio spectrum, and/or hardware and other components for communication over wired or other types of communication media. GPS chip 813 may include a receiver,